

Appl. No. : 10/688,135
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REMARKS

This amendment is being filed in response to the Final Office Action mailed February 7, 2006.

Amendments correct matters of form and to place application in better position for appeal.

Claims 37, 38, 39, 40, 47 48, 49 and 50 have been amended such that they end with a period as noted by the Examiner. Independent Claim 44 has been amended to correct the informality noted by the Examiner.

Pursuant with 37 CFR 1.116, these amendments address matters of form in the claims and place the case in better condition for appeal. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that they be entered.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted that the rejections set forth in the outstanding Office Action are inapplicable to the present claims. Accordingly, early issuance of a Notice of Allowance is most earnestly solicited.

The undersigned has made a good faith effort to respond to all of the rejections in the case and to place the claims in condition for immediate allowance. Nevertheless, if any undeveloped issues remain or if any issues require clarification, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call Applicant's attorney in order to resolve such issue promptly.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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